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SUBJECT: PERU AND RIO TREATY

1. INTERNATIONAL WIRE SERVICES REPORTED ON NOVEMBER 21 THAT PRESIDENT VELASCO TOLD PRESS CONFERENCE PERU WILL DENOUNCE RIO TREATY IN DUE COURSE.

2. OFFICIAL PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT VERSION OF EXCHANGE AS REPORTED IN EL PERUANO FOLLOWS:

"QUESTION: MR. PRESIDENT, WILL PERU DENOUNCE THE INTERAMERICAN DEFENSE TREATY?

ANSWER: I ASSUME THAT YOU ARE REFERRING TO THE INTERAMERICAN TREATY OF RECIPROCAL ASSISTANCE. OUR DIPLOMATIC POSITION IS TO SEEK ITS REVISION. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS THEREFORE SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL."

3. REGARDLESS OF WHAT PRESIDENT MAY HAVE TOLD REPORTERS, GOP WILL CLAIM THAT OFFICIAL TEXT IS WHAT VELASCO SAID.

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4. COMMENT: EVEN IF PRESIDENT VELASCO CONTEMPLATED TAKING PERU OUT OF RIO PACT, EMBASSY DOUBTS THAT PERU WOULD TAKE ANY SUCH STEP GIVEN ITS SENSE OF DIPLOMATIC ISOLATION IN SOUTH AMERICA. THIS IS PRESUMABLY REASON PRESIDENT'S PRESS COMMENTS WERE REVISED. IN ADDITION USDEL TO OAS SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING HERE HAS NOTED INCREASED FLEXIBILITY IN PERUVIAN POSITION DURING PAST FEW DAYS.
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